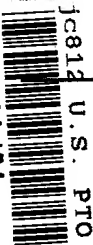


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Title: RETRACTABLE COLUMN AND METHOD OF FORMING

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Fee Calculation Sheet
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages: 33
 - ☒ Descriptive title of the invention
 - ☒ Cross References to Related Applications
 - ☐ Statement Regarding Fed. Sponsored R&D
 - ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - ☒ Background of the Invention
 - ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
 - ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings
 - ☒ Detailed Description
 - ☒ Claims
 - ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawings (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets: 27
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6. ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. 1.76)

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9. ☐ Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
10. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
11. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Submission
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

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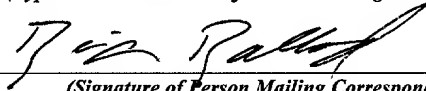
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